UNITED STATES DISTRICT COUR	RT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW Y	ORK

AMADO BRITO,

Plaintiff,

9:02-CV-1410 (FJS/RFT)

SUPERINTENDENT HOLLINS, Oneida

v.

Correctional Facility; BURGE, Superintendent,

Auburn Correctional Facility; H. MOSS, Correctional Officer at Oneida Correctional Facility; AMINA AHSAN, Facility Health Services Director at Auburn Correctional Facility; and ANN DRISCOLL, Acting Nurse

**Administrator at Auburn Correctional** 

Facility,

Defendants.

**APPEARANCES** 

OF COUNSEL

AMADO BRITO 01-R-0878

Shawangunk Correctional Facility P.O. Box 700 Wallkill, New York Plaintiff *pro se* 

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SCULLIN, Senior Judge

ED J. THOMPSON, AAG

### MEMORANDUM-DECISION AND ORDER

### I. INTRODUCTION

Plaintiff Amado Brito commenced this action alleging deprivations of his constitutional

rights arising from his alleged assault and failure to receive adequate medical treatment for injuries he incurred during the assault. *See* Dkt. No. 1. A trial was held before this Court on November 6, 2006, through November 8, 2006. On November 8, 2006, the jury returned a verdict in favor of Defendants. *See* Dkt. No. 99. The Court entered judgment in favor of Defendants against Plaintiff on November 15, 2006, in accordance with the jury verdict. *See* Dkt. No. 101. Plaintiff has appealed from the November 15, 2006 judgment to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. *See* Dkt. No. 102.

Currently before the Court are Plaintiff's requests to proceed with his appeal *in forma* pauperis and for free transcripts of the trial-court proceedings that form the basis of his appeal. See Dkt. No. 108.

### II. DISCUSSION

# A. Plaintiff's in forma pauperis application

The Court previously allowed Plaintiff to proceed *in forma pauperis* in this action,<sup>1</sup> and the Court has not revoked his *in forma pauperis* status. Therefore, the Court **grants** Plaintiff's request to proceed with this matter *in forma pauperis* for purposes of his appeal to the Second Circuit.

## B. Plaintiff's request for free transcripts

Section 753 of Title 28 of the United States Code provides, in pertinent part, that

[f]ees for transcripts furnished in other proceedings to persons

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Dkt. No. 4.

permitted to appeal in forma pauperis shall also be paid by the United States if the trial judge or a circuit judge certifies that the appeal is not frivolous (but presents a substantial question). The reporter may require any party requesting a transcript to prepay the estimated fee in advance except as to transcripts that are to be paid for by the United States.

28 U.S.C. § 753(f).

After reviewing the file in this matter, the Court finds that Plaintiff's appeal is not frivolous and that Plaintiff is entitled to a copy of the trial transcripts without cost.

### III. CONCLUSION

After carefully reviewing the entire file in this matter and the applicable law and for the reasons stated herein, the Court hereby

**ORDERS** that Plaintiff's request to proceed with the appeal of this matter *in forma* pauperis is **GRANTED**;<sup>2</sup> and the Court further

**ORDERS** that Plaintiff's request for free trial transcripts is **GRANTED**; and the Court further

**ORDERS** that the Clerk of the Court shall serve a copy of this Order on the parties in accordance with the Local Rules.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 22, 2007

Syracuse, New York

Frederick J. Scullin, Jr.

Senior United States District Court Judge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Court notes that it grants this application subject to the Second Circuit collecting the fees due to it in light of the Prison Litigation Reform Act. *See* Pub. L. No. 104-134, 110 Stat. 1321.